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WASHINGTON, July 25, 1985 -- Orders for new freight cars in June totaled 827, compared with 593 in May and 2,994 in June 1984, the Association of American Railroads and the American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Cumulative orders through the first six months of this year came to 4,842, compared with 10,439 at the same time a year ago.

Deliveries of new freight cars in June totaled 1,077, compared with 966 in May and 1,771 in June of last year. Cumulative deliveries through the first half of this year came to 5,943, compared with 5,080 a year earlier.

As of July 1, the backlog of cars on order but undelivered was 3,843, compared with 4,093 on June 1, and 7,267 on July 1, 1984. Average monthly backlog so far this year is 4,186, compared with 6,476 a year ago.

Meanwhile, the AAR reported that 28 locomotives were placed in service in June, compared with 49 in May and 60 in June 1984.

As of July 1, the backlog of locomotives on order but undelivered totaled 267, compared with 284 on June 1, and 202 on July 1, 1984.

Taking retirements into account, the fleet of owned and leased diesel-electric locomotives on July 1 was 23,043, compared with 23,305 on June 1, and 24,858 on July 1, 1984.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED

AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS

ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	June		May	Six Months	
	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
Built New by Car Builders	1,077	1,771	896	5,537	5,080
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	70	406	0
Built New - Total	1,077	1,771	966	5,943	5,080
Rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL DELIVERED	1,077	1,771	966	5,943	5,080
Locomotives	28	60	49*	212*	191

ORDERED

To be built New by Car Builders	827	2,744	593	4,842	10,189
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	250	0	0	250
To be built New - Total	827	2,994	593	4,842	10,439
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ORDERED	827	2,994	593	4,842	10,439

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	July 1		June 1	Average	
	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
To be built New by Car Builders	3,843	7,017	4,093	4,139	6,434
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	250	0	47	42
To be built New - Total	3,843	7,267	4,093	4,186	6,476
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ON ORDER	3,843	7,267	4,093	4,186	6,476
Locomotives	267	202	284	263	157

Orders, Deliveries and Backlog Include Estimates for Tank Cars
* Revised figure

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